

## Liberty Union's Candidate Expresses Self on Issues

Bernard Sanders, 30, a University of Chicago graduate in 1964, unmarried, who lives at 44 Front St., Burlington, is a candidate for U.S. senator on the Liberty Union ticket.

He said he was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., has been in Vermont "off and on" for eight years, owns property in Middlesex and Stannard.

A writer on social issues now, and preparing a book on interviews with Vermonters, Sanders said he has been a carpenter and worked with disturbed children.

He answered questions similar to those asked of national office candidates in the primary election by The Burlington Free Press.

**Q. Why are you seeking the office of Vermont's senator? What special qualifications do you think you have for the office?**

**A.** What the two major candidates are saying is irrelevant regarding the problems facing this country. The people who make decisions which affect this country have little to do with the average man in the street. A democracy is made up of people, and they are not making the decisions. The concentration of power makes the average man feel irrelevant; this results in apathy. As for my qualifications, I am not a politician.

**Q. Do you favor President Nixon's wind-down of U.S. participation in the Vietnam war?**



Sanders

**What different action would you favor taking, if any, and how would you do it?**

**A.** My position on Vietnam is to bring the troops home tomorrow, to institute a commission of national enquiry to find out who the people were who got us into the war, and why. The Vietnam war decision was made by less than 2,000 people, the average man or student had nothing to say about it.

**Q. What do you think of the administration's wage and price freeze policy? What measures would you favor to curb inflation and increase employment?**

**A.** Nixon's price freeze is irrelevant, and its main function is to hide the real issues. The basic economic fact of America is the productive capacity to provide a decent standard of living for every American. The question is why we don't use our

capacity toward human ends rather than spending \$80 billion on the military and producing junky products designed to break down in a few years.

To curb inflation and increase employment, I favor drastic cuts in the military and spending money on human enterprises, rebuilding cities, schools and hospitals.

**Q. How do you feel about President Nixon's revenue-sharing proposal?**

**A.** It is irrelevant and a smoke screen; the real issue is who controls the wealth of this country and how is the money being spent.

**Q. How do you feel about continuing the draft? What alternatives?**

**A.** I am in favor of ending the draft. But I think the important question is what is the Army doing, regardless of what kind it is. If a volunteer Army is spending its lives fighting for American imperialism, I would oppose that.

**Q. Would you continue the food stamp program in Vermont? If not, what alternatives?**

**A.** I am opposed to welfare. I feel the basic solution for poverty at the moment would be to institute a minimum wage of \$6.50 for a family of four. Welfare breeds bureaucracy, wastes money, and makes recipients feel useless.

**Q. Do you favor the United States maintaining a strong military establishment?**

**A.** Fifty per cent of the national budget is going for defense, but the bulk of this is not going to defend us. We are spending billions defending military dictatorships in the world, such as the present dictatorship in Vietnam.

Sanders said the Liberty Union party would pursue a hard campaign, especially on campuses and in the cities. He said there are not sufficient resources to hit the rural areas.

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## New Coronary Surgery 95 Pct. Effective

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — "It's a simple matter of plumbing," a cardiothoracic surgeon says of a new technique that may eventually eliminate heart disease as the nation's top killer.

Dr. Graeme L. Hammond of the Yale-New Haven Hospital says the new method of repairing coronary arteries involves the use of artificial material or the patient's veins to bypass obstructed arteries.

By converting veins to arteries, he said, the problem of rejection is overcome.

The technique—called coronary reconstructive surgery—is in many ways more difficult than heart transplants, but overall is simpler, he said.

The technique has infinitely

better results than transplants, Hammond said in an interview.

The success rate under the new method, developed over a three-year period at Yale-New Haven, is 95 per cent, he said.

Dr. Hammond said men, still in their prime who are struck down by angina and barely able to walk, have left the hospital 10 days after the operation and been able to resume normal lives.

The technique is difficult and delicate, but could be performed by any professional surgeon, Hammond said. However, he added, the surgery is so precise and specialized, that a physician would need to devote all his time to it, performing at least three such operations per week to keep in practice.

A surgeon requires a large amount of sophisticated equipment to perform the operation, he said, along with a large supply of blood in cases of complications.

One patient, Hammond said, needed 50 quarts of blood during the operation.

Before 1969, he said, Yale

New Haven probably performed no more than 60 reconstructions of coronary arteries, but with advances in instrumentation and the new technique, the number has risen to 300.

He said it could reach 600 per year, if there were enough surgeons, beds and operating rooms available.

### Plainfield 4-H Club To Remain Nontaxable

PLAINFIELD — At its November meeting, the Green Valley 4-H Club voted to remain a nontaxable organization.

Teri Andrews, vice president, conducted the meeting. Karen Smith led a health exercise on sleeping habits, followed by discussion of the need for

suitable rest. Games were led by Tracy Andrews and Shannon Granger.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, Dec. 1, at 3:30 p.m. at the fire station hall.

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### Bird Victor

ESCONDIDO, Calif. (AP) — Hal Scharn and a sparrow recently had a running battle. The bird has won. Some time ago the sparrow built a nest on Scharn's airplane but a mechanic removed it. A few days later the feathered creature was found to have built another nest in the same place and again it was removed. A short time later Scharn visited his plane and found the sparrow had built a third nest and had laid some eggs therein. He gave up and decided to wait till the eggs had hatched before using his plane.

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## Grange Hears About History of Charlotte

CHARLOTTE — The history of Charlotte, or "Charlotta" as the town was once called, highlighted the meeting of Charlotte Grange 398.

Mrs. Ernest Katzenberger told about the various taverns, tanneries, blacksmith shops and grist and cider mills operated by the early settlers.

She said some of these early settlers bore the names of Webb, Woolcott, Hill, Horsford, Prindle, Williams and Yale.

Mrs. Doris M. Preston told about the many incidents and changes that have taken place during her life in Charlotte.

The Grange lecturer, Mrs. Donald Whalley, said the talks

which were interspersed with interesting and amusing anecdotes, were humorous and educational.

The program also featured a candlelight service commemorating the observance of Thanksgiving. The candle bearers were Mrs. Frank S. Preston, Mrs. Merichon L. Williams, Mrs. Gilman Foote, Mrs. James Manor, Mrs. Ronald Marble and Mrs. Joseph B. Wells.

A prayer by the chaplain, Mrs. Howard Palmer, and a prayer of thanks by Mrs. Edward C. Melby were included in the special observance.

Members are to bring a gift for the Brandon Training School to the Dec. 6 meeting. The gifts need not be wrapped but may be accompanied by Christmas wrappings.

Visitors attended from LaPlatte Grange 552, Shelburne, and Tyler Branch Grange 498, West Enosburg.

The next meeting will include a supper served at 7:15 p.m. by Clyde Royce, Mrs. Merichon L. Williams, Mrs. Edward C. Melby and Avery D. Palmer.

## Brandon Man Gets Suspended Term in Shooting Case

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION (AP) — David Snow, 29, of Brandon was placed on probation Tuesday after receiving a suspended sentence on a charge of carelessly and negligently wounding a person by gunshot.

Vermont District Court Judge George Ellis put Snow on conditional probation. Among the terms of the release were stipulations that Snow not possess or use any type of firearm, that he live and work under direct supervision of a probation officer, and that he not use alcoholic beverages.

Snow was arrested for wounding Richard Coutermarsh of Springfield as the victim was fishing. Coutermarsh is the son-in-law of the Springfield chief of police. The wound was not serious.

The suspended sentence was for a term in the House of Corrections of up to five years.

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